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The current ACD system is outdated and can no longer be supported with parts and maintenance. The Department's ACD System maintenance contract with SBC expired July 1, 2003.

Acceptance of the GIS enhancement will provide a more efficient means for answering wireless 911 cell phone calls utilizing global positioning, mapping, and all hardware and software needed to comply with the Federal Communications Committee (FCC) rules and regulations for public safety.

### **IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS**

This purchase supports the County's Strategic Goal #2 for Workplace Excellence, by enhancing the quality and productivity of the Department's emergency services.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Approval of the recommended actions will accept \$1,293,000 in upgrades from the State of California Department of General Services for the 9-1-1 PSAP and geographic information systems. The Fire Department will procure the system and the State will pay the vendor directly.

There is no impact in net County cost.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

The administration of funding for equipment and services related to the answering of 9-1-1 calls is based upon laws passed by the California State legislature. Most of the pertinent code sections relating to the reimbursement of 9-1-1 equipment and services is in the California Revenue and Taxation Code sections 41135 through 41138.

The laws indicate that the State 9-1-1 Program, as managed by the California 9-1-1 Emergency Communications Office (State 9-1-1 Office) shall reimburse agencies for equipment and services necessary for answering 9-1-1 calls. Section 41138 also provides authority to local agencies to obtain equipment from any vendor as long as the costs do not exceed those approved by the State 9-1-1 Office.

The goal of the State 9-1-1 Office is to provide sufficient funding to each Public safety Answering Point (PSAP) to successfully manage their local operations in compliance with all 9-1-1 standards.

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### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

The State 9-1-1 Office completed the contracting process associated with the acquisition of these systems. The State solicits the vendor bids and allows each agency to select a vendor of choice. The Purchasing Agent will be required to issue a zero dollar purchase order to SBC. The selected vendors will bill the State 9-1-1 Office directly.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES**

Approval of the recommended actions will facilitate more efficient and expeditious responses to the 9-1-1 calls received by the Department.

### **CONCLUSION**

Upon approval by the Board of Supervisors, please return adopted copies of this letter to:

1. Los Angeles County Consolidated Fire Protection District  
Materials Management Division  
5801 S. Eastern Ave., Suite 100  
Commerce, California 90040  
Attention: James Ealey, Chief, Materials Management Division
2. Internal Services Department  
Purchasing Division  
1100 N. Eastern Ave., Room 102  
Los Angeles, California 90063  
Attention: Joe Sandoval, Division Manager

Respectfully submitted,



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Chief Administrative Officer  
County Counsel  
Auditor-Controller  
Internal Services Department

